While major retail chains seem to be sprinting up almost everywhere, Lower Beacon Street bucks the trend. If the area could be characterized by one place, it would be The Beacon Super Market, the oldest independent grocery store in town. Here students, business owners, retirees, as well as medical and academic professionals, shop side by side.

Shoppers stroll extra-wide sidewalks, eat in charming outdoor cafes and funky restaurants, and patronize eclectic specialty shops, amid classic townhouses and impeccable apartment/condo complexes. Indeed, several of these gracious old-timers are now guesthouses, welcome respite for weary traveler in one of the Town's most serene spots. Lower Beacon Street is an appropriate eastern gateway to Brookline.



